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1. FOLLOWING EXTENSIVE WORKINGGROUP DISCUSSION ON THE MARGIN

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OF THE JULY 6-7 EUROPEAN COUNCIL, THE EC HEADS OF GOVERNMENT  
WERE ABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON THE PREVIOUSLY DEADLOCKED  
RESOLUTION CONCERNING 1985 ENERGY GOALS FOR THE  
COMMUNITY (REFTELS). FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION,  
RELEASED TO THE PRESS JULY 7:

BEGIN TEXT::THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL EMPHASIZES THAT EFFORTS TO

RESOLVE LONG-TERM ENERGY PROBLEMS SHOULD BE INTENSIFIED AT ALL LEVELS. THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE IS FOR ALL COUNTRIES TO REDUCE THEIR DEPENDENCE ON OIL IMPORTS. IN THIS CONNECTION THE COMMUNITY ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES FOR 1985:

-TO REDUCE THE COMMUNITY'S DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED ENERGY TO 50 PERCENT;

A TO LIMIT NET OIL IMPORTS BY THE COMMUNITY;

- TO REDUCE TO 0.8 THE RATION BETWEEN THE RATE OF INCREASE IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND THE RATE OF INCREASE IN GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCTION.

THE COMMUNITY EMPHASIZES THE NEED FOR THE OTHER INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES TO SET THEMSELVES SIMILAR OBJECTIVES.

PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE IS ATTACHED TO BETTER USE OF THE COMMUNITY'S ENERGY RESOURCES, PROSPECTION EFFORTS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY.

THE CONTRIBUTION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY ALONGSIDE OTHER FORMS OF ENERGY IS VITAL AND A MATTER OF URGENCY FOR THE COMMUNITY. IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT THAT WORK SHOULD CONTINUE ON ECOLOGICAL, SAFETY AND PROTECTION ISSUES IN ORDER TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE PARTICULAR NEED FOR SOME MEMBER STATES TO FIND A SOLUTION TO CERTAIN SPECIFIC PROBLEMS LINKED WITH WITH INTRODUCTION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OR IMPLEMENTATION OF NUCLEAR PROGRAMMES.

COMMUNITY MEASURES ON ENERGY, PARTICULARLY IN ORDER TO PROMOTE ENERGY-SAVING AND TO EXPLOIT ALL ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF ENERGY ARE COMPLEMENTARY TO THE MEMBER STATES' CONSIDERABLE EFFORTS.

APART FROM THE NEW MEASURES WHICH IT MUST TAKE, THE COMMUNITY WILL IN FUTURE HAVE TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE JOINT APPRAISAL AND THE CO-ORDINATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBER STATES' ENERGY PROGRAMMES.

THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL LAYS EMPHASIS ON THE NEED FOR WORLDWIDE CO-OPERATION ON ENERGY AND IN PARTICULAR INDICATES THE WILLINGNESS OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE MEMBER STATES TO ASSIST THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, IN CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES, IN SURMOUNTING THEIR ENERGY PROBLEMS. END TEXT.

2. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCES, THE CONTENTIOUS LANGUAGE ON OIL REFINERIES, WHICH WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE UK, WAS DELETED BY THE WORKING GROUP ALSO DROPPED A REFERENCE, IN THE PARAGRAPH

ON NUCLEAR ENERGY, TO THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUED WORK ON FAST BREEDER REACTORS, RADIOACTIVE WASTES, AND REPROCESSING; THIS LANGUAGE HAD BEEN SUBJECT TO DUTCH AND BRITISH RESERVES.

3. THE SUMMIT RESOLUTION APPARENTLY SATISFIED THOSE MEMBER STATES WHO SHARED THE EC COMMISSION'S HOPE THAT THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE ABLE TO GO TO THE BONN SUMMIT WITH SOME AGREED POSITION ON ENERGY. PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ON ENERGY BY SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS WERE LIMITED, ALTHOUGH FRG CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT (EUROPEAN COUNCIL PRESIDENT) DID EMPHASIZE THAT THE RESOLUTION DOES NOT ASK THAT OTHER INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES SET THEMSELVES ENERGY DEPENDENCE GOALS OF A MAGNITUDE SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE COMMUNITY, JUST THAT THEY ESTABLISH "COMPARABLE" GOALS.

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